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**David and Patricia
Watts
7 Millcrest Road**

Dear Sirs.

**Proposed Development of the
Fairmead site off Cuffley Hill
Planning ref 07/19/0200/F**

As local residents we formal record our objection to Broxbourne Council granting planning permission for the above extensive housing development.

The primary objections are, but not limited to:

a. You have already permitted a significant number of substantial housing developments within the Cuffley and Goffs Oak confines and this already exceeds the numbers proposed within the Broxbourne Local Plan. Goffs Oak is already being seriously (catastrophically) overdeveloped, and further developments will only exacerbate the pressures on local support services, in particular doctors surgeries, schools, Policing etc. Even the small Cuffley train station and adjacent parking are already buckling due to the recent increase in housing capacity.

b. The current extent of permitted developments has significantly increased the volume of traffic using the area. The proposed development can only exacerbate the situation. In particular, the high number of traffic movements from the proposed 58 dwellings, via the ill-conceived access point, onto the now very busy Cuffley Hill, is an unacceptable risk/hazard.

c. The area has already lost a significant number of green spaces. Fairmead, particularly due to the extended time period the remote space has existed, supports and provides a habitat for an extensive and diverse range of wildlife, together with old and extensive arboriculture, and at-risk and/or protected tree species. Such biodiversity must be protected and maintained.

Your continual drive to permit housing developments in the Cuffley and Goffs Oak area must be tempered. The Fairmead area needs to be retained as part of our diminishing Green Belt.

Accordingly, Planning Permission should not be granted.

Yours faithfully

David and Patricia Watts

**7 Millcrest Road Goffs Oak.
8 December 2021
Object to proposal**

Overall View